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W. W. PILCHER MADE COM-MERCIAL CLUB PRESIDENT. The annual election of officers was held at the Commercial Club luncheon Friday and F. W. Pilcher was chosen President for 1914. L. B. Hawthorne vice-president, H. D. Llewellyn, treasurer, while the new directors chosen were F. A. Morris, W. A. Sharp and Nate Phillips. It was also decided to hold the annual banquet the evening of Thursday, February 19, at the Hoxsey Hotel at 8:15 the principal dish of which will be roast goose.

W. L. Fowler was chosen acting chairman. A vote of thanks was passed to be sent the Governor of Missouri for his interest in insurance legislation and sending out the investigation commission which was in Mexico Wednesday. A letter was read from a Kentucky houseman offering to sell the Club a acre to take Rex McDonald's place. This letter was given to Mexico houseman.

A letter was read from the Woods Mobilette Co. asking for an offer for their large assembling plant. It was turned over to the Factory Committee.

J. R. Boatman, of British Honduras, a former Mexico boy, made a short address and complimented Mexico upon her growth and the Club for its share in this. It was decided to print the secretary's annual report for distribution the evening of the banquet. A vote of thanks to the following outgoing officers was passed: F. A. Morris, president; directors, A. P. Green, J. W. Miller, George Robertson.

Mr. Morris made a short talk commencing Secretary Raul and stating he was now joining Mexico's cause, believing in this way he was keeping more closer to home. He figures a third of the cost of each cigar stays at home.

J. W. Lee spoke upon the Dairy Industry. He said there was a great demand for dairy products here than we could supply and good herds were badly needed in this section. He said the prices here were better than in some places and that the cream shipped into Mexico last year was bought at a smaller price than was being paid here. This was shipped to only after the local supply was exhausted.

Mr. Lee said the farmer would have to be educated to the fact that a condenser was a better way to make cream than to pay the milkmen to come to the door. Before adjourning the Club passed a unanimous resolution endorsing Col. W. R. Kohr, of the Missouri Military Academy, as a high grade school man, and a progressive citizen of any community where he may locate as a citizen worth while and expressing regret over his intended departure and wishing his success in his new home.

Those present were: Sam Byrnes, L. M. White, Tom McKean, S. D. Dunbar, R. E. Rake, J. R. Boatman, C. A. Boatman, C. A. Barnes, H. E. C. Tucker, W. R. Kohr, W. S. Hathaway, W. L. Fowler, Roy Morris, F. A. Morris, W. W. Pollock, Joe Connelley, Turner Williams, Nate Phillips, W. H. Upham.

IT PAYS BIG, MY BOY, IT PAYS. You are leaving home to-day, my boy. To grasp life's weary grind, You can give to me, my dear, much joy.

It will ever be in mind To read God's Word each day and in secret pray; It pays big, my boy, it pays.

Some yearn for position and praise of men While others garner their sheaves of grain; Be thou eager, my boy, for that bet- ter part Which the worldly wise cannot im- part; 'Tis to love mankind and your God at- ways; It pays big, my boy, it pays.

There's a current belief that men may take Just a little wine for the stomach's sake; Some may quote you Scripture to prove it true, But forget to say that it wrecks lives, too; So let it alone each day, always, It pays big, my boy, it pays.

I have tried to impress you, my boy, to see That wealth will not win joy for ever- ally, While peace and hope with perfect love Will brighten your path to a home above; Hold these thoughts firmly now today, It pays big, my boy, it pays. (Original by C. S. Campbell) Feb. 7, 1914.

HOSPITAL NEWS. Tom Boatman, who was recently hurt at Lathrop, is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Reine Hildebrand of Benton City, is recovering from her recent operation and is feeling much better.

Capt. N. Dix, of Martinsburg, who was recently operated on, is able to be up.

There are now three nurses at the Hospital.

The first patient to enter the Mex- ico Hospital did so on December 13th. From that time until February 1st, there have been 18 patients in the hospital. 11 surgical, 6 medical and 1 maternity. Miss Reitz, the Super- intendent, reports 157 treatment days and the average stay of patients has been 9 13-16 days.

This and on account of illness.

The Mexico 8-Mile Road District Commission last year expended near- ly \$200,000, which included cash sub- sidy for bridges, rock, etc. Work was also done to the amount of \$250,000. This money was ex- pended in a careful, judicious way and we believe that eventually this district will have permanent good roads, but we don't believe

ARE YOU SUPERSTITIOUS? WE ARE NOT OUR Annual White Goods Sale Commences FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13th. The event the public has been looking for and anxious about for some time. Now is the time to make your purchases in this line and get that sewing done before Easter and the heat over take us. The character of spring stuff is exceedingly beautiful owing to the newness of the fabrics.

New Goods--Many Bargains--Prices Low Come One Come All Sale Continues One Week Fredendall & Wilkins

MRS. ROSS GETS 10 YEARS' SENTENCE. LEDGER SPECIAL. Fulton, Mo., Feb. 6 Mrs. Susan Ross, charged with the murder of her husband near this city, last September, was found guilty of murder in the second degree by a jury in the Callaway County Circuit Court, here, this morning, and sentenced to 10 years in prison. Court then adjourned until Saturday morning.

The attorneys for Mrs. Ross say they will ask for a new trial and if it be denied will take the case to the supreme court. Dr. Simmons of St. Louis, testified, during the case, that he thought Mrs. Ross was insane.

WETS WIN CARTHAGE AND CARTERVILLE. Cartilage, Mo., Feb. 5 Cartilage went out in today's election by a majority of 172, the same as for by which it went dry four years ago.

Carterville voted by 266. Four years ago it went dry by 237.

The campaign was hotly contested. Many clubmen of both Cartilage and Carterville took the side of the wets and attended the wet meetings.

Most of the field force of the Missouri Anti-Saloon League was called into the fight. The only wet speaker from outside the district was Dr. Jacob E. Meeker of St. Louis, who spoke nine times in the two towns.

Judge Howard Gray and John W. Halliburton of Cartilage also spoke for the wets. The general manager of the anti-prohibition force was A. L. Thomas at Cartilage and A. Baird at Carterville.

Temperance leaders said they would contest the election on the ground that the four years required for a second vote will not have elapsed until next June.

ACTUAL COST OF POSTOFFICE. The Mexico postoffice has been generally thought to have cost \$30,000, when in fact it really cost over \$50,000. The building and grounds alone tallied \$18,763.45 and the furnishings were in excess of \$2,000.

Say Paul Hudson is selling every- thing at or below cost. Coal Oil, 5c per gal. Salt, per bbl., \$1.25. Stone- ware, 10c per gal.

PAUL HUDSON.

PROTECT YOUR FAMILY BY THE COVERS OF A CHECK BOOK. I will prevent many useless or unnecessary expenditures and afford an absolute record of all money paid out. It also teaches your family business methods that will be valuable to them all their lives.

The North Missouri Trust Co. Can serve you in this and many other ways.

After You Are Gone it is still more important to know how your affairs will be handled and if you name this Company as your Executor or Trustee you can be sure your wishes will all be carried out without favor or prejudice.

It is Superior to any Individual in this capacity, not alone on account of its financial standing and the advice of its Board of Directors, but from the fact that its records are as complete as the Probate Court's, it will not die, or move away and no part of any estate has ever been lost or squandered by any Trust Company.

Where This Company is Named as Executor there is no charge for writing your will or caring for it in our Fire Proof Vault, and it can be placed under seal if you so desire. Consultation is free, and you are welcome to come and advise with us on any business or financial matter.

North Missouri Trust Co. NORTH SIDE SQUARE Mexico, Missouri

POSTMASTER WILSON RESIGNS TO BECOME A FARMER. Postmaster E. S. Wilson forwarded his resignation to Washington Mon- day, asking to be relieved as soon as possible. He will take charge of the active management of the River- land Farm Co., organized here last week. Mr. Wilson says Mexico will continue his home although much of his time will be spent on the 5000 acres of the company's land in Pike County, Mo.

Dr. W. W. Darvey, who made an application for this position last fall, and D. H. Cauthorn, who was active Monday in getting petitions signed, are the only announced candidates for the post. City Clerk Wallace Deary- ing is being mentioned as a possi- ble candidate.

Mr. Wilson has been in the Post- office for a year and a half and filled his office most satisfactorily. We are glad to state he will continue to make this city his home.

The friends of A. H. Whitney are urging him to apply for the position.

LETTER TAKES 11 MONTHS TO ARRIVE. R. R. Arnold, Jr., receives letter from father written from Pass Christian, Miss., March 5, 1913-- Had gone to Old Mexico.

RECOUNT IN FOURTH WARD MADE FRIDAY. W. E. West and G. L. Denham, clerks and Hop Kemp and J. E. Blatter, judges in the Fourth Ward at the recent Democratic primary election, re- counted the vote in that ward, Friday morning, because only one tally sheet instead of two, as required, was given in.

According to Secretary John Kemp of the City Central Democratic Com- mittee the only changes were the vote for Councilman which gave to Whittepoon a majority of 33 votes over Gregory instead of a majority of 11. The vote of T. A. Cropper was 112 and John Marshall 102 in the Assessor race.

In one day the new City Man- ager of Springfield, Ill., cut off \$50,000 in the expenses of running that city, according to S. A. Muff, of Springfield. Mr. Muff, who owns the Jimmy Robinson farm, north of Mexico, is here with Mrs. Muff to inspect his farm. He stopped in St. Louis to buy a load of mules and horses for the place.

Mr. Muff says the highest class of citizenship in Springfield was placed in nomination for Commissioners who the city voted on the Commission form of government recently. Manu- facturers and other business men who were successful in their respec- tive lines were elected to have charge of the business of the city. Although only a few weeks in office the City Manager, who was secured from Stanton, Va., has made a big saving in the city finances and the people of Springfield are enthusiastic over the new arrangement.

COX GETS TWO YEARS IN PRISON. Arthur Cox, charged with setting fire to a barn belonging to Willard Potts the night of Nov. 12, last, was found guilty of arson in the third degree by a jury in the Circuit Court Tuesday and sentenced to two years in prison.

The jury in the case is as fol- lows: J. F. Froide, F. B. Cook, T. W. Lambert, W. H. Witter, Wilbert Kunkel, J. H. Crum, J. R. Dorgan, C. H. Baker, Cook Crews, J. E. Asdell, A. H. Pitzer, Frank Watkins.

CARNEGIE GIVES \$2,000.00 FOR PEACE. New York, Feb. 10. Andrew Carnegie today gave \$2,000,000 to be used through churches for the promotion of international peace. The income of the fund, about \$100,000 a year, will be ex- tended by a board of twenty-six trustees, representing all the leading religious denominations of the United States.

Mr. Carnegie has already given \$10,000,000 for the Peace Movement.

MAJOR ASKS IMPRESSIVE EXERCISES ON ARBOR DAY. Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 10. Gov. Major to-day issued an Arbor Day proclamation, calling attention to the first Friday after the first Tuesday in April as Arbor Day, and which directs that all teachers, pupils and patrons of the schools throughout the State shall on that day "encourage the planting of trees, shrubbery and flowers on and around the school grounds" to the end that they "may be rendered pleasant and attractive."

The days falls on April 10th this year.

COMMERCIAL CLUB ANNUAL BANQUET. Arrangements have been made for the annual banquet of the Commer- cial Club to be held in Mexico, on Thursday, February 19th, at 8:15 o'clock p. m. at Hotel Hoxsey. Tick- ets are now on sale by the commis- sioner at \$1.00 each. The program, which will be published in a few days, is excellent. Gov. Elliott W. says will make the principal speech of the occasion.

Hon. Frank Buffum, of Louisiana, will respond to the toast "Good Road." Mr. Buffum is State Highway Com- missioner, and his speech will throw much light on the ways and means of building permanent roads and gen- eral road improvement.

Fifty invitations have been mailed to members of the press in sur- rounding towns, and other persons in- terested in public improvements gen- erally.

The number of plates is limited to 150 and those deserving tickets should see the committee promptly.

This meeting promises much good for Mexico in many ways.

The members of the committee are Fred Pilcher, Chas. P. Malone, Ar- thur Sharp and R. E. Race.

D. A. R. DELEGATES ARE APPOINTED. Mrs. T. H. Winans, Regent, and Miss Lena Johnson are the dele- gates from the Mexico Chapter of the Daughters of the American Re- volution to the National Convention to be held at Washington, D. C., in April. The alternate are: For Mrs. Winans--Miss R. M. White, J. H. Lane and J. T. Johnson; for Miss Johnson--Mrs. M. P. Dobyns and Miss Emma McPherson and J. R. Rossmore.

The Mexico Chapter will be represented at the State Meeting held at Springfield in October by Mrs. Winans and Mrs. G. W. Robertson. The alternate for the Regent are Mrs. C. A. East and H. B. Barke and Miss Alice Witherspoon; for Mrs. Robert- son--Miss Mary Houston and Mrs. R. M. White and W. G. Wilkins.

The delegates were named at the regular election held Monday after- noon.

Engineer C. W. Hicklin, of the Pul- ton Turnaround, is at the Mex- ico Hospital suffering with a severe- ly strained back, the result of jump- ing through his cab window, Monday afternoon near McCredie, when the driver of his engine left the track. His injuries are not serious and he will return to his home in Slater with in a few days.

Curtis East, of this city, who was riding a jump but was more fortun- ate and escaped any injury. The accident occurred at 2:50 a mile north of McCredie.

HARDWARE MEN TO MEET HERE FEB. 18 TO ORGANIZE. The implement dealers of this part of the State of Missouri will meet in this city in the parlors of the Hox- sey Hotel, Feb. 18th, and organize in- to the Local Implement Dealers As- sociation. Men who live within 25 miles of Mexico have pledged them- selves to be there.

There has never been any sort of organization among hardware de- alers before, and they hope by co- operating to give the people the benefit of their organization and also benefit themselves.

The primary object of this asso- ciation is to formulate plans by which they can save money in buying. This is the greatest asset that an im- plement man has--trying to buy singly and make prices to compete with those who buy in large lots.

The dealers will also try and place their business on a cost system, so as to figure the expense of doing bus- iness and other matters before mak- ing a price on goods. It is said by men of the country are making too much money, while others are not getting their just dues because of not having a system to figure the cost of selling.

Mrs. Clara Snidow is visiting in Tulsa, Okla.

YOUR SPRING NEEDS INCUBATORS -- 3 kinds 200 Egg with Electric Alarm \$12.50. Chicken Waterers, Brooders, Automatic Feeders, Coops, Nests, Fods, Oat Sprouters, Auto- matic Food Hoppers, Grit and Shells Au- matic Feed Boxes, Ther- mometers.

Marvel Steel Cook Stov- es for wood or coal. Warranted 15 years for wood \$20.00

Our Leader Steel Rang- es with 28 inch square oven, High Warming Closet and solid Copper 7-gallon reservoir for \$37.00 with 25 pieces of ware free this month.

The New Style Lanterns The new way--different Shortest, largest globe, Newest burner, largest fount. New style light- ing device. To see is to buy.

Thoroughly reliable Leather Chain Harness complete less collars \$8 set, double.

1 3-4 Double Team Har- ness complete \$28.50, less collars.

Chicago Rawhide Halt- ers 35 years on the market. Warranted 3 years.

Cow Halters 35c. R. d. Rope Halters by the gross. More kinds of halters than you have seen.

12 Quart Enamelled Di- shes 15c. 6 Quart Blue and White Baking Dishes 10c.

95c regular 3 quart Alu- minum Stew Kettle this month for 50c. 40c regular Aluminum Dip- pers for 25c.

Shoe Soles, Lasts, Shoe Tacks, Rubber Heels, Cobblers' Outfits, Men's half sole 15c. Square blocks for 2 pairs chil- dren's soles 20c. Cob- blers outfits 60c. Malle- able Iron Lasts guaran- teed unbreakable.

JANESVILLE FARM TOOLS--Janesville New Pattern Auger Twist Mold Board, turns all soils. Sulkley and Gings. New Auto Shaft Drive Dis- tress Self Oiling Gear Corn Planters. Original Budlong Disc Harrows, etc.

13900 Other Good Things at Robertson

COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES By W. CLYDE JOHNSON Superintendent of County Schools

(By W. Clyde Johnson, County School Superintendent.)

It seemed best to change our program again last week. We expect to carry out this instead of the old one. On Feb. 14 we shall go to Bartonsburg, Feb. 21 to Rush Hill, and Feb. 28 to Duly.

Last week we went on short notice to Benton City. But in spite of the short time and the severe weather we had an audience and a program.

Misses Alma and Zella Brown, of Springfield, and Prairie Chapel School, Eureka and Prairie Chapel Schools, Mrs. Anna Kelly, of Benton, and Mrs. S. C. Niemann, of Liberty, with a pu- gil, Miss Edna Jones, were brave enough to drive in through the in- tense cold. We were much surprised that anyone came. It shows their great interest in their work.

A. B. Claster, the principal of the Martinsburg schools, and the Rev. John L. Watson, of Ladonia, were also present, and added greatly to the interest of the meeting.

We found very poor attendance at Searles and South Liberty schools. Sickness, whooping cough--and the fear of snailpox, were the reasons assigned. The Liberty school has good attendance and is in good con- dition. Miss Edna Earnest at Chapel Grove told us that she had had no tardies. And Mrs. Anna Kelly has eleven pupils who have missed but one day and have not yet been tardy. Are not these exceptional records? Do you not think there must be a real good reason for these things?

The State Superintendent writes as follows:

"The average attendance for the State in 1912-13 was 83.7 days per pupil enumerated and 114.5 days per pupil enrolled. Any county that is below the State average per pupil enrolled should make a special effort to reach the average. I suggest that you write your teachers, talk with them personally or 'phone them and urge them to look after the attendance for the remainder of the year."

"In attendance based on enumeration your county gave each pupil 84.4 days of school and ranked 40th, or there below the State average per pupil enrolled. In attendance based on enrollment your county gave each pupil 125.3 days of school, and ranked 9th, or there were 106 counties below you."

"In some counties quite a little State aid money has been secured, and 1,745 schools will have two months longer term this year than every be- fore. See that the attendance holds up in those schools so that the money will be well spent."

Geo. Griffin, charged with attempt- ing to burglarize the Highgate post- office, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to two years in prison. It being his first offense, and having a wife and three children, he was paroled.

Miss Tina Houston, daughter of the Mexico Free Public Library, is visiting the Moberly Library.

DAVE GASON DIES. Dave Gason, col., who has been an inmate of the County Infirmary for the past month, died Monday night and will be buried at the County Farm Wednesday. He was very old and has been in ill health some time. It is not known whether he has any relatives or not.

Ad-answering trips are money-earn- ing trips.

AFTER taking our inventory, we find we have too many Winter Shoes. So we have decided to continue our Great Clearance Sale until FEBRUARY 14th. We will positively close Sale on that date. Let us save you money. This is your last Chance to get Shoes at Wholesale prices. Sale prices are strictly CASH.

WILKINS & BROWN